Statement

Break-up of the average cost of production of crude oil from Bombay off-shore

Element of cost	Rs./MT	1995-96 US$/ Barrel
1. Operating cost	362	1.41
2. Recouped cost		
a) Depreciation	11	0.05
b) Depletion	259	1.00
c) Survey and dry wells cost	193	0.75
Sub-total (2)	463	1.80
3. Financing cost		
(a) Interest (Net)	119	0.46
(b) Exchange loss	77	0.30
Sub-total(3)	196	0.76
Total (1+2+3)	1021	3.97
4. Statutory charges		
(a) Royalty	528	2.05
(b) Cess	900	3.50
(c) Sales tax	120	0.47
(d) Octroi & BPT charges	28	0.11
5. Transportation cost	156	0.61
Total cost	2753	10.71

Probe Against Two Oil Companies in Uttar Pradesh

1375. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the police officials of U.P. have hushed up the probe against S.B. Petroleum and Sriram Petro Ltd., who have duped several hundred dealers and lakhs of customers, who deposited money with those companies;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and the action taken against the officers concerned; and

(c) what action Government propose to take against those companies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) to (c) The Vigilance Cell of Oil Coordination Committee conducted an investigation into the parallel marketing activities of M/s. S.B. Petroleum Ltd., and M/s. Shree Ram Petroleum Ltd.

The investigation Report was forwarded to the Secretary, Civil Supplies, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh to expedite action on FIRs lodged against M/s. S.B. Petroleum Limited and M/s. Shree Ram Petroleum also to take action against M/s. Shree Ram Petroleum for violation of Kerosene (Restriction on Use and Fixation of Ceiling Price) (Amendment) Order, 1995 as they have not obtained rating certificate, which is mandatory for entering parallel marketing as such violation is actionable under the Essential Commodities Act. It is learned that Economic Affairs Wing of U.P. Police is investigating into the case against M/S S.B. Petroleum and M/s. Shree Ram Petroleum Ltd.

Moti Khavdi Petro-Refinery Project in Gujarat

1376. SHRIMATI ANANDIBEN JETHABHAI PATEL:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a private sector enterprise has acquired land for its Moti Khavdi Petro-Refinery Project in Jamnagar district of Gujarat;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is any provision to employ dependents of the land oustees in those projects, whose land has been acquired;

(d) if so, the number of land outsees and the number of people employed in this project, so far; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) to (e) The Government has issued a